GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

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Procurement of Red Gram
Reddy Shri Konda Vishweshwar

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of MSP and procurement target for red gram from Telangana for 2016-17;
(b) the details of total procurement of red gram done so far; and
(c) the reasons for stopping the procurement in between resulting in the farmers going for distress sales, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)

(a) : The MSP for Red Gram/Tur has been fixed at ? 5050/- per quintal for 2016-17 including a Bonus of ? 425/- per quintal. Under the Price Stabilization Fund (PSF) scheme, there is no State-specific target for procurement.

(b) & (c) : As on 23.03.2017, about 8.31 lakh tonnes of Tur/Red Gram has been procured from the producing States of the country. No instructions were issued for stopping the procurement of Tur. In fact, based on the requests received from the Tur/Red Gram producing States, the procurement period for Red Gram has been extended beyond 15th March, 2017.

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